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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Sug-hun HONG

Art Unit: 3635

Serial No. 09/842,049

Examiner:

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For: TRENCH ISOLATION METHOD

(8th) STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

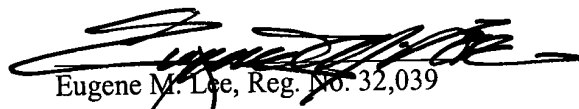
Kindly advise the applicant by return mail as to the current status of the captioned application and the date on which the next Action on the merits may be expected.

A review of technology center status ("average filing date of applications receiving a first office action in the last 3 months"), as published in the OG of May 16, 2006, indicates the date to be April 30, 2004, for Technology Center 3630. Based on information in the USPTO PAIR database, the captioned application, filed in 2001, does not appear to have been assigned to an Examiner for initial examination.

Action on the merits is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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